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SUBJECT: JORDANIAN DELEGATION TO ILO CONVENTION

BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED:

1. JORDAN WILL SEND FIVE-MAN DELEGATION TO JUNE ILO CONVENTION.

ALL SPEAK GOOD ENGLISH.

A. SAMI AYYOUB (CHAIRMAN): MINISTER OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS AND LABOR; CIRCASSIAN; EXCEPT FOR BRIEF PERIOD IN ROYAL PALACE, HAS SPENT ENTIRE CAREER AS AGRICULTURALIST; PRIMARILY A NON-POLITICAL TECHNICIAN.

B. HISHAM AT-TAHIR; DIRECT, DEPARTMENT OF LABOR; KEY MEMBER OF DELEGATION; MEMBER OF GOJ GENERAL INTELLIGENCE DIRECTORATE; EAST BANK GRADUATE OF DAMASCUS UNIVERSITY WITH EIGHT YEARS GOVERNMENT SERVICE.

C. SAMIR QSOUS: ASSISTANT TO TAHIR (OFFICIAL TITLE: CHIEF OF RESEARCH SECTION, DEPT OF LABOR); HAS SPENT ENTIRE CAREER IN MINLABOR: PARTICIPANT IN 1974 WASHINGTON LABOR STATISTICS SEMINAR.

D. WALID 'ASFOUR: PRESIDENT, AMMAN CHAMBER OF INDUSTRY; INDUSTRIALIST FROM PROMINENT EAST BANK FAMILY;
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ADDS TOUCH OF WEALTH TO ESSENTIALLY MIDDLE-CLASS DELEGA-

TION.

E. 'AHID QINTAR: SYG OF JORDAN FED OF TRADE UNIONS AND
HEAD OF AIR TRANSPORT WORKERS' UNION; GRAD OF HARVARD
TRADE UNION SEMINAR: RISING STAR IN LABOR MOVEMENT. END
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BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL:

2. JORDAN SENDING COMPETENT DELEGATION, ALL OF WHOM WELL-
KNOWN TO EMBASSY AND ARE FRIENDLY TOWARD AMERICANS. MIN
LAB AYYOUB MAINLY FIGUREHEAD. KEY MEN ARE TAHIR, BECAUSE
OF TIES TO GENERAL INTELLIGENCE, AND QINTAR, BECAUSE OF IN-
FLUENCE AND CONTACTS IN LABOR MOVEMENT. ALL BUT 'ASFOUR ARE
INVOLVED IN AAFI PROJECTS. DELEGATION CONSTITUTES
PROBABLY MOST PRO-AMERICAN ARAB REPRESENTATION AT ILO AND
WOULD RESPOND COOPERATIVELY TO US APPROACH. END CONFIDENTIAL
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